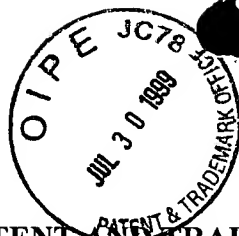


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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 28, 1999 (Paper No. 5) in the above-referenced patent application, please make the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 4, line 14, please delete "chromatic" and substitute therefor --structural--.

On page 15, line 12, please delete " $\delta x$ " and substitute therefor --x--.

On page 15, line 14, please delete " $\Delta y$ " and substitute therefor -- $\delta y$ --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims:

SUB (B)

1. (Amended) A computerized method of extracting a key frame from a video, comprising  
[the steps of]:

a) providing a reference frame;